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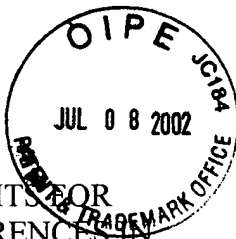
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Enclosed herewith for the patent application identified above entitled METHODS AND KITS FOR DECREASING INTERFERENCES IN PLASMA OR SERUM CONTAINING ASSAY SAMPLES OF SPECIFIC BINDING ASSAYS are the following:

1. Information Disclosure Statement (1 Page), in duplicate;
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(c), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449. Applicants respectfully petition and request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence such consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form. Copies of the listed documents are attached.

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